#### WHY AMERICANS SHOULD CARE ABOUT KOSOVO

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# As Americans why should we care about something that's happening in a part of the world that we don't know much about?

What's happening in Kosovo affects us all because we're dealing with things that Americans feel deeply about:

- Terrorism
- Daily human rights violations
- Religious intolerance and destruction of churches
- Unilateral violation of national and international law

As Americans, we don't stand for this kind of behavior. Why should others? Read the facts and judge for yourself:



### Kosovo's Breakaway Government is Run by Former KLA Terrorists!

Kosovo's Current Leadership Promotes International Terrorism

- The Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA) was considered among the world's top terrorist organizations by the United States as recently as 1999.
- Kosovo Prime Minister, Ramush Harandinaj resigned in 2005 when he was indicted with 37 counts of war crimes at The Hague. He was the KLA's former top commander. Kosovo's current political leaders including Hashim Thaci, the current Prime Minister, were Harandinaj's top lieutenants.
- The KLA has been linked to other international terrorist organizations like Al Qaeda and countries that support terrorism like Iran. Muslim fighters from Afghanistan, Iran, and Saudi Arabia have been captured in Kosovo.

#### Kosovo's Current Albanian Government Actively Encourages Religious Intolerance

- Over 150 Orthodox Churches, Shrines, and Monasteries, many world heritage sites, have been vandalized and destroyed by Kosovo Albanian (many KLA sponsored) terrorist groups. This has all happened in the last 7 years, and under the 'protection' of NATO, which began policing Kosovo in 1999.
- Dozens of priest have been killed or injured and many more threatened and intimidated.

## Kosovo's Current Leadership Has a Long History Violating Human Rights

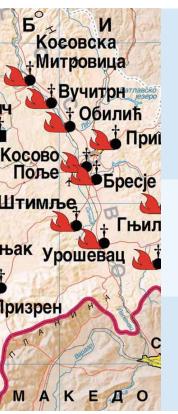
- Over 300,000 Serbs and other minorities have fled the Kosovo province because of KLA supported threats, intimidation, and discrimination, all occurring since the beginning of the UN/NATO mission in June 1999.
- Since 1999, thousands of Serbs, Roma, and even Albanians have been killed by the KLA and other Albanian separatist movements.
- Over 90% of the Serbian population in Kosovo has fled or been force to move out to due to threats, intimidation and killings, being driven out as far back as 1945.
- During World War II, Albania was allied with Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy and began eradicating thousands of Serbs and other Slavs in Kosovo, Macedonia, and Montenegro, with the goal of expanding their population into those territories.

# The situation in the Balkans is as complex as the situation in the Middle East. For more information, please visit the following web sites:

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Serbian Unity Congress • http://www.serbianunity.net

Patrick Buchanan – Does Balkanization Beckon Anew? • http://wnd.com/index.php?fa=PAGE.view&pageId=56751



# Most of the World Doesn't Recognize an 'Independent' Kosovo because Kosovo is Serbia!

In Violation of Both International and U.S. Laws, the U.S. Unilaterally Recognized Kosovo's Declaration of Independence.

- UN Resolution 1244 clearly defines Kosovo as being part of Serbia and guarantees Serbian sovereignty over the region. Without this UN Resolution there would have been no concession for peace during the Balkan wars in 1999.
- The United States' unilateral recognition of the Kosovo Albanian declaration of independence on February 17, 2008, along a few western allies, was in complete disregard for UN Resolution 1244. The US action violates both the UN charter and the Helsinki accords, to which the U.S. is a signatory.

The Helsinki Accords is an agreement between European Nations plus Canada and the US that states that European national borders cannot be breached without the consent of both parties.

• Kosovo's unilateral declaration HAS NOT been recognized by 172 of the world's 192 countries (as of February 29, 2008). Countries such as Spain, Russia, China, India, Indonesia, Brazil, Argentina, Romania, Greece, Hungary, Slovakia, Cyprus, and South Africa representing over two thirds of the world's population have already formally refused to EVER recognize Kosovo's independence. Right now the U.S., Turkey, and Afghanistan are among the 20 countries that have recognized Kosovo.

Burned Kosovo Churches

#### What Can We Do Today?

U.S. recognition of Kosovo cannot take place without full ratification by the U.S. Senate. It is time that our voices be heard in Washington, D.C. and stop this illegal unilateral action. Support Serbian Sovereignty of Kosovo.

You can sign our petition online: http://www.thepetitionsite.com/petition/905791187
We have over 100,000 signatures already!

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